

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Tetsuro Kokubo et al.

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For: METHOD OF MONITORING GENE EXPRESSION

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action (non-final rejection) dated April 24, 2006,

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.